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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
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In Re Application of:

LEBEL ET AL.

Application Serial No.: 09/901,737

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Title: TRANSGENIC PLANTS EXPRESSING A
CELLULASE

Group Art Unit: 1638

Examiner: KUBELIK ANNE R

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Honorable Commissioner:

In response to the Office Action dated March 25, 2003, please consider the remarks set forth herein.

Enclosed herein with this response are i) a Notice of Appeal, ii) a Petition for a Three-month Extension of Time and iii) authorization to charge the requisite fees to Applicants' credit card. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, to Deposit Account No. 50-1744 in the name of Syngenta.